

Title 3: HEALTH AND SANITATION AND ANIMAL REGULATIONS

DIVISION 3: ENVIRONMENTAL health

Chapter 13: Medical Waste

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33.1301 Authority.

Pursuant to the authority cited in Chapter 1 of Division 3 of Title 3 of the San Bernardino County Code and Chapter 6.1 of Division 20 of the California Health and Safety Code (Medical Waste Management Act), the Department of Public Health Division of Environmental Health Services (DEHS) of the County of San Bernardino shall enforce the provisions of this Chapter.

Ordinance 3846 (2002);

33.1302 Definitions.

Definitions herein shall supplement all definitions in state law pertaining to the generation, treatment, storage, transport, and disposal of medical waste, and shall include those of Chapters 1 and 3 of Division 3 of Title 3 of this Code.

(a) "Director" means the Chief of the Division of Environmental Health of the Department of Public Health.

(b) "Enforcement Agency" means the San Bernardino County Department of Public Health Division of Environmental Health Services.

(c) "Enforcement Officer" shall be any employee or agent so designated by the Chief of the Division of Environmental Health Services.

(d) "Large Quantity Generator" shall have the meaning assigned to that term by Section 25022.8 of the California Health and Safety Code.

(e) "Small Quantity Generator" shall have the meaning assigned to that term by Section 25025.8 of the California Health and Safety Code.

Ordinance 3846 (2002);

33.1303 Permits Required.

Within this jurisdiction, no person or entity shall generate, produce, treat, transport, store or dispose of medical waste without holding an unexpired, unsuspended, unrevoked permit or registration from DEHS to do so for each facility, location, and activity, and having paid those fees to DEHS specified by the San Bernardino County Code Schedule of Fees. Permits and fees, if any, shall also apply to limited quantity generators.

Ordinance 3846 (2002);

33.1304 Enforcement Activities.

Enforcement activities shall generally proceed as set forth in Chapters 1, 2, and 3, of this E.H. Code and relevant state law pertaining to the generation, transportation, treatment and storage of medical waste.

Ordinance 3846 (2002);

33.1305 Medical Waste Generators, Transporters, and Treatment Facilities.

Medical waste generators, transporters and treatment facilities shall, in addition to all other requirements of this Chapter, do the following:

(a) Each registered medical waste transporter, and each provider of a medical waste mail back system, as defined in California Health and Safety Code, subdivision (b) of Section 25094, shall provide to DEHS a list of all medical waste generators serviced by that person or firm during the previous twelve (12) months. That list shall include the (1) business name, (2) business address, (3) mailing address, (4) telephone number and (5) other information as required by DEHS to collect annual fees pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 25058 and Chapter 2 of Division 6 of Title 1 of the San Bernardino County Code.

(b) When the transportation of medical waste by a medical waste transporter or the provision of a medical waste mail back system service begins after March 1, 1995, the initial list shall be provided to DEHS within ten (10) days of the close of the earliest calendar quarter ending September 30, December 31, March 31, and June 30, or as otherwise required by DEHS.

(c) Subsequent to providing the initial list pursuant to subdivision (a), registered medical waste transporters and providers of medical waste mail back systems shall submit to the local enforcement agency any changes made to the most recent list every three (3) months, within ten (10) days of the close of the calendar quarters ending September 30, December 31, March 31, and June 30, or as otherwise required by DEHS.

(d) Each medical waste generator, transporter or treatment facility shall pay all costs incurred by DEHS in the clean-up and proper disposal of all improperly disposed medical waste, where such clean-up and proper disposal is not substantially accomplished within two (2) hours after DEHS has notified the medical waste generator, transporter or treatment facility of the improper disposal.

Ordinance 3846 (2002);

33.1306 Violations, Remedies, and Penalties.

It shall be unlawful for any person or entity to violate any provision of this Chapter. In addition to any other remedy or penalty provided by law, the remedies and penalties provided by Chapters 1, 2, and 3 of this E.H. Code shall apply to this Chapter.

Ordinance 3846 (2002);
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